GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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ACTION AGAINST MILITARY OFFICERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken against military officers mentioned in the Tehalka tapes;

(b) whether any further action being contemplated; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): Necessary administrative/disciplinary action has been initiated against six officers found culpable by an Army Court of Inquiry which investigated into the fictitious arms deal as highlighted in the Tehelka tapes. In respect of one officer, administrative action has since been finalized and he has been awarded `Censure`.

In respect of two officers who have since retired from Army service, criminal complaints are being filed in courts of competent jurisdiction for their lapses. Disciplinary and Administrative action proceedings against the rest are in progress.